

**653—9.20 (147,148) Administrative medicine licensure.****9.20(1) Definitions.**

*“Administrative medicine”* means administration or management utilizing the medical and clinical knowledge, skill, and judgment of a licensed physician and capable of affecting the health and safety of the public or any person. A physician with an administrative medicine license may advise organizations, both public and private, on health care matters; authorize and deny financial payments for care; organize and direct research programs; review care provided for quality; and other similar duties that do not require direct patient care. Administrative medicine does not include the authority to practice clinical medicine, examine, care for or treat patients, prescribe medications including controlled substances, or delegate medical acts or prescriptive authority to others.

*“Administrative medicine license”* means a license issued by the board pursuant to this rule.

**9.20(2) Application.** An application for an administrative medicine license shall be made to the board of medicine pursuant to the requirements established in Iowa Code section 148.3 and this chapter. An applicant for an administrative medicine license shall be subject to all of the permanent licensure requirements established in Iowa Code section 148.3 and this chapter, except that the applicant shall not be required to demonstrate that the applicant has engaged in active clinical practice in the past three years as outlined in paragraphs 9.8(7) “c” and 9.15(2) “d.”

The board may, in its discretion, issue an administrative medicine license authorizing the licensee to practice administrative medicine only, as defined by this rule. The license shall be designated “administrative medicine license.”

**9.20(3) Fees.** All license and renewal fees shall be paid to the board in accordance with 653—Chapters 8 and 9.

**9.20(4) Demonstration of competence.**

*a.* If an applicant for initial licensure or reinstatement of an administrative medicine license has not actively practiced administrative or clinical medicine in a jurisdiction of the United States or Canada in the past three years, the board may require the applicant to demonstrate competence in a method prescribed by the board in accordance with paragraphs 9.8(7) “c” and 9.15(2) “d.”

*b.* A physician who holds an administrative medicine license and has not engaged in active clinical practice in a jurisdiction of the United States or Canada for more than three years may be required to demonstrate competence to practice clinical medicine in a method prescribed by the board in accordance with paragraphs 9.8(7) “c” and 9.15(2) “d” prior to obtaining a permanent Iowa medical license.

**9.20(5) No exemptions to laws and rules.** A physician with an administrative medicine license shall be subject to the same laws and rules governing the practice of medicine as a person holding a permanent Iowa medical license.

**9.20(6) Only one active license at a time.** When applicable, a person’s active Iowa permanent or Iowa resident license shall immediately become inactive upon issuance of an administrative license.

**9.20(7) Interstate medical licensure compact.** A physician who holds only an administrative medicine license may not be eligible for licensure under the interstate medical licensure compact.